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The Security Council,

Recalling its previous resolutions, in particular resolutions 1714 (2006) of 6 October 2006, 1709 (2006) of 22 September 2006, 1706 (2006) of 31 August 2006, 1679 (2006) of 16 May 2006, 1663 (2006) of 24 March 2006, 1653 (2006) of 27 January 2006, 1627 (2005) of 23 September 2005, and 1590 (2005) of 24 March 2005,

Recalling also its previous resolutions 1674 (2006) of 28 April 2006 on the protection of civilians in armed conflict, which reaffirms, inter alia, the relevant provisions of the United Nations World Summit Outcome document, 1612 (2005) of 26 July 2005 on children in armed conflict, 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003 on the protection of humanitarian and United Nations personnel, and 1325 (2000) of 31 October 2000 on women, peace and security,

Reaffirming its commitment to the sovereignty, unity, independence and territorial integrity of the Sudan and to the cause of peace,

Welcoming the progress in implementation of elements of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement of 9 January 2005, in particular overall compliance with the ceasefire this year, the progress made in the establishment of the institutional framework provided for in the power-sharing protocol, the adoption of a budget by the authorities of Southern Sudan and introduction of a new currency of the Sudan,

Recalling the commitment of the international community to support the Comprehensive Peace Agreement process, including through development aid; *taking note* of the meeting of the Sudan Consortium that was held from 19 to 21 March 2007 in Khartoum and Juba; and *calling upon* donors to continue to support the implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement,

Stressing that elections and force redeployment will be important milestones in Comprehensive Peace Agreement implementation, that meeting commitments against both in 2007 will be central to Comprehensive Peace Agreement credibility, and that urgent action is needed to accelerate preparations for elections,

Calling upon the Government of National Unity and the international community to support a successful elections process,

Welcoming the first organized returns of internally displaced persons from Khartoum to Southern Kordofan and Southern Sudan,

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Welcoming the full deployment in Southern Sudan of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan (UNMIS) in support of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, and *acknowledging* the continued commitment by troop-contributing countries in support of this mission,

Reiterating its concern over the restrictions and bureaucratic impediments placed on UNMIS movements and materiel, and the adverse impact such restrictions and impediments have on UNMIS' ability to perform its mandate effectively and on the ability of the humanitarian community to reach affected persons; and *calling upon* the Government of National Unity to abide by its international obligations, in this regard, as well as those set out in the Status of Forces Agreement,

Expressing its grave concern over the continued deterioration of the humanitarian situation in Darfur and the impact on the region; *condemning* continued violent attacks on civilians, including displaced persons, refugees, women, children, the elderly and humanitarian workers; and *reiterating* in the strongest terms the need for all parties to the conflict in Darfur, including non-parties to the Darfur Peace Agreement, to put an end to the violence and atrocities in Darfur and the region,

Expressing its concern over the information about the treatment following the 19 January 2007 arrests and detentions of personnel from the United Nations, African Union Mission in the Sudan (AMIS), and international non-governmental organizations in Nyala, South Darfur; and *calling for* the Government of National Unity to respect its commitment to cooperate with the United Nations in the investigation of this incident,

Welcoming the communiqué signed between the United Nations and the Government of National Unity in Khartoum on 28 March 2007, to support, protect and facilitate all humanitarian operations in Darfur; and *calling for* its immediate implementation,

Commending the efforts of the African Union for successful deployment of AMIS, despite exceptionally difficult circumstances, and *condemning* the recent fatal attacks on AMIS,

Expressing full support for the coordinated efforts of United Nations and African Union Envoys for Darfur and other leaders to broaden support for and move forward implementation of the Darfur Peace Agreement,

Noting its concern that armed attacks by Other Armed Groups threaten the successful implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, *welcoming* the agreement between the Government of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army to extend the cessation of hostilities agreement and resume peace talks in Juba on 26 April 2007, *commending* the efforts of United Nations Special Envoy Chissano to bring this progress about, and *calling upon* both sides to meet their commitments under this process,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the Sudan dated 17 April 2007 (S/2007/213),

Determining that the situation in the Sudan continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security,

1. *Decides* to extend the mandate of UNMIS until 31 October 2007, with the intention to renew it for further periods;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to appoint urgently a new Special Representative for the Sudan and to report to the Council every three months on the implementation of the mandate of UNMIS;

3. *Calls upon* the parties to the Comprehensive Peace Agreement to accelerate urgently progress on implementing all their commitments, in particular to carry out the establishment of Joint Integrated Units and other aspects of the security sector reforms; to re-energize the process of disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of combatants; to complete the full and verified redeployment of forces by 9 July 2007; to demarcate precisely the 1 January 1956 North/South borderline, consistent with the Machakos Protocol of 20 July 2002; to resolve the Abyei problem and urgently establish an administration there; and to take the necessary steps to hold national elections according to the agreed time frame;

4. *Calls upon* the parties to the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, the Darfur Peace Agreement, the N'Djamena Humanitarian Ceasefire Agreement, the Eastern Sudan Peace Agreement and the communiqué of 28 March 2007 to respect their commitments and implement fully all aspects of those agreements without delay; and *calls upon* those parties that have not signed the Darfur Peace Agreement to do so without delay and not to act in any way that would impede the implementation of the Agreement;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to take the necessary measures to ensure full compliance in UNMIS with the United Nations zero-tolerance policy on sexual exploitation and abuse and to keep the Council informed, and *urges* troop-contributing countries to take appropriate preventive action, including predeployment accountability in cases of such conduct involving their personnel;

6. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.